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SUBJECT: AUSTRIAN JITTERS RE CYPRUS

1. HAVE JUST RECEIVED URGENT TELEPHONE CALL FROM AMBASSADOR STEINER CHIEF OF AUSTRIAN FOREIGN OFFICE POLITICAL DIVISION TELLING ME THAT COMMUNICATIONS FROM AUSTRIAN UNFICYP CONTINGENT DEFINITELY ESTABLISH THAT MAINLAND GREEK TROOPS PARTICIPATED IN RECENT COUP. HE SAID ELEVEN WOUNDED SOLDIERS FROM FIGHTING AROUND AIRPORT WERE CONCLUSIVELY IDENTIFIED AS BEING FROM NATIONAL GREEK CONTINGENT STATIONED IN CYPRUS AS DISTINCT FROM MEMBERS NATIONAL GUARD.

2. STEINER SAID GOA WAS CONVINCED THAT COUP WAS GENERATED BY GREEK GOVERNMENT AND AGREED WITH BRITISH DELEGATE STATEMENT TO AUSTRIAN UN AMBASSADOR JANKOWITCH THAT PROOF EXISTS THAT GREEK GOVERNMENT WAS BEHIND COUP.

3. STEINER STATED GOA'S CONVICTION THAT TURKEY WOULD PHYSICALLY INTERVENE VERY SOON UNLESS HARD LINE IS TAKEN WITH GREEK GOVERNMENT FORCING IT TO PULL IN ITS HORNS. HE SAID IF TURKS SEND TROOPS IT WILL BE WITH TACIT APPROVAL OF SOVIETS AND RESULT WOULD BE MOST UNWELCOME CHANGE IN BALANCE OF POWER IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN.

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COMMENT: STEINER CLEARLY MOST UPSET AND REFLECTS PERENNIAL AUSTRIAN

NERVOUSNESS RE OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE IN AFFAIRS OF A SMALL COUNTRY
WHICH COULD SET DANGEROUS PRECEDENT FOR AUSTRIA IN FUTURE.
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